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OVERLOOKING MR. TRENT.

FRIDAY

Just in the interests of fair play why not treat all the county officers alike! Some little time ago Treasurer Trent, who does his official work in his own office, asked the supervisors to provide him with an adding machine, a device which has become a necessity to people who have much computation to do. There was nothing unprecedented in such a request as the supervisors had passed resolutions authorizing the county auditor, the county clerk and the county attorney "to procure the necessary stationery and office furniture required for his purpose." Accordingly the county attorney procured from T. McCants Stewart, whose vacated office was hired for him, an old safe, office furniture and books to the value of \$657; other items of furniture and fixtures, stationery, etc., to the amount of \$984.30. The other officials had their requisitions granted with the sole exception of Mr. Trent, whose misfortune it is to be a Democrat. It might be added to the paragraph about the purchases for the county attorney that the safe turned out to be a flimsy one, neither safeguarded from burglars nor fire. It is now being repaired.

The unwillingness of the supervisors to supply the office of the county treasurer with needed equipment can be explained, we hope, on other than partisan grounds. That Mr. Trent is not in accord politically with most of the supervisors is true, but his office is non-partisan and the people who pay the bills have a common interest in getting prompt and efficient service from it. In all mainland counties no local office is left unprovided for or made in any degree unserviceable because of the official who happens to spend a term or two in it. Such a thing would not be thought of there and it certainly should not be here, the more so because of the very high character of Mr. Trent.

THE ISSUE OF RESPONSIBILITY.

If all the serious work devolving formally upon the Board of Health is vested now in the Supervisors and the Federal authorities, as some people claim, what is the use of keeping up the Board of Health on its present costly

Why pay Pinkham \$250 per month merely to sit around and write impotent and impudent fictions about men and things in general?

What is the good of having health inspectors, paid by the Territory, if they are working outside of their province and if their recommendations can not be enforced?

Heaven preserve Hawaii from a conflict of authority and jurisdiction in health matters. At a time when epidemics are abroad in the world and discases of filth exist here, let us have no doubt as to where the responsibility for the sanitation of cities and counties is placed.

Considering the state of Chinatown we probably owe our present freedom from epidemic to the continuous summer rains. A dry or comparatively dry summer, giving germ-laden dust a chance to blow about, might have cost us a million dollars for sanitary work, sevres of lives and all we have gained in promotion work.

We can not depend on rain; we must get down to business. If anybody is responsible for the sanitation of the town let him stand forth. If anybody is being paid for the work and can not perform his duties let him get out.

THE LIFE INSURANCE MUDDLE.

Probably the New York Life Insurance company has not jeopardized the value of its policies by the outlay of a few hundred thousand dollars in legislation and politics. Indeed it may have protected it. But a system which permits large expenditures without accounting may easily be abused as it was thirteen years ago by President Beers of the New York Life, and as it has been lately by the president and vice-president of the Equitable. It is a question of great moment also whether a mass of mobile capital which may be used to "influence legislation" and help political parties is not as dangerous to the public weal as legislation which may be influenced and as politicians who may be bought. The influence and money of combined life insurance companies could easily turn elections in close states and control legislatures. Evideatly they have done so on occasion. The question before the country is, whether they should-if a remedy exists-be permitted to do so any longer. Upon this proposition the President, in his forthcoming message to Congress may be expected to throw light.

It does not seem reasonable, however, for policy-holders to take alarm. The resources of the companies are so enormous that default in payments to them is not to be looked for. Those who have dropped out have simply strengthened the safeguards of those who remain. An additional guarantee is to be found in changes of management. It is from the stockholders in the non-mutual companies, not from the policy-holders that complaints about extravagance or the unlawful diversion of funds may be expected.

GAMBLING REDIVIVUS.

It is stated in print that the deputy county attorney is seeking an expert to testify in court as to whether a certain game is che fa or not and that he is trying to get the testimony of Willie Crawford. To the initiated this is

The Advertiser can put the deputy county attorney in the way of information that the police have said they were ordered not to raid che fa games without first notifying Henry Vida. If Vida is absent the next man to be notified is Willie Crawford. In case of Crawford being beyond reach a Chinaman is to be told. Why? No doubt the deputy county attorney can answer that question as readily as we can,

To think of Willie Crawford aiding the prosecution of a che fa case is comic indeed. It must make Chinatown grin like the great dragon itself.

At the present time there are eleven known che fa games running in Honohilu and a man named Moore has a big gambling place with three peep-hole doors between it and the street. He also runs a crap game where a man lately

lest \$1000. These places have all opened since the county election. So has Iwilei, which High Sheriff Henry closed up.

But if sole dependence is put upon the Willie Crawfords et al. to secure

The Associated Charities has the public confidence but it deserves more of the public attention and interest. This organization is intended as a clearing house for all the charitable societies in the city and all of them, we believe, are taking advantage of its facilities. Lately the Roman Catholic society came in. Before the association was formed, a great deal of mendicancy was to be seen in Honolulu. Beggars were frequent in the streets and they went from door to door. Now a beggar is an infrequent sight and there is so little pauperism that no county in the Territory has yet considered the building of an almshouse. Indeed the hope of associated charities all over the Union is to extirpate pauperism. Efforts are made to stimulate selfrespect and independence, to build up character and make charitable aid an impetus rather than an obstacle to self-help. Here in Honolulu it is seen, by comparison with years past, that these results are being gradually attained.

The President is setting an example of personal courage in his determination to visit New Orleans. He also did it awhile ago in descending with a submarine boat. A commander-in-chief of the army and navy has certain routine duties to perform, but he has rarely, in view of his other responsibilities, thought it best to rush into danger. But Mr. Roosevelt, like the Kniser, makes precedents of a sort to inspire the strenuous life and to impel his sountrymen to risk and self-sacrifice.

Great is the power of the press backed by public opinion! Yesterday the cleaners went to work on Desha king and elsewhere, garbage barrels were provided for the people living there and in a few days Palama will attain a civilized smell. But for the prompt and vigorous exposure by the Advertiser nothing would have been done until something worse than typhoid had appeared. A thorough stirring up for annitation was what the city needed to keep it from being shut off from tourists by a general quarantine. The next thing to look after should be Kakaako and the Vineyard street camp, where President Pinkbam and Dr. Pratt discovered so much filth. Thanks to the vigilance of the Advertiser-which will be continued-Honolulu is not going to propagate the plague nor invite the yellow fever.

PINKHAM UNCOVERS FILTH.

President Pinkham, in his efforts to escape the odium of Palama, is getting himself into bad odor elsewhere. His latest move is reported as follows by the Bulletin:

Pinkham and Pratt incidentally dropped in for a short call at the Vineyard street camp, which is owned by Theodore Richards, one of the Advertiser's investigation committee, which was said to have been very much shocked at the conditions in Palama. Dr. Pratt stated that it was in WORSE CONDITION FROM A SANITARY POINT OF VIEW THAN THE OTHER PLACES VISITED. The water closets, for instance, were not as they should be. So-called bathing closets are used. They are flushed only once a day, while they should be flushed at least once an hour. AS A CONSEQUENCE FILTH IS COLLECTED IN THE RUNS SEVERAL INCHES DEEP. Such bathing closets should be furnished with automatic flushes to be sanitary.

"Compare the Vineyard street camp with Dowsett lane, for instance," said President Pinkham. "You will find that the latter is far the cleaner of the two. IT WOULD COST SEVERAL HUNDRED DOLLARS TO PUT THE CAMP IN GOOD CONDITION."

Think of the President of the Board of Health calmly advising the public that there are "other places" as bad or worse and then insisting right along hat the sanitation of Honolulu is satisfactory. Contrast his statements at the Board of Health meeting the other day with his "shocking" discoveries at Theodore Richards' camp on Vineyard street. Pinkham, according to the Bulletin, says that the Vineyard street camp has "runs full of filth" and that it would cost "several hundred dollars to put the camp in good condition." Very likely this is true. Considering the way Pinkham has neglected the sanitation of the city it might well be so. But how quickly Pinkham's denial would have come if the Advertiser had discovered the Richards' camp first.

MR. RICHARDS' DISCLAIMER.

"Mr. Rath did not tamper with the truth," said Theodore Richards after an hour's investigation. "What he said about the unsanitary condition of this part of the city is true. It is unhealthful and unsightly and should be cleaned up."

The above is the sole quotation made from Theodore Richards in the course a long article on the situation at Palama, appearing in yesterday's paper. After its publication Mr. Pinkham and Dr. Pratt went to examine the Richards camp on Vineyard street, which they declare to have been in a deplorable state. They visited it early in the day. Meanwhile Richards seems to have bethought himself of the fact that Pinkham, thus heeled, would be safer mollified than eriticised and he proceeded to write the following apologetic letter. But the Macfarlane against the Walkiki Seasaccharine missive did not save the camp from getting the blast quoted elsewhere on this page:

Mr. L. E. Pinkham, President, Board of Health, Honolulu.

My Dear Sir:-It is not at all improbable that my opinion on sanitary questions will be of little value to you or to the Eoard of Health. But in view of my published opinion in this morning's Advertiser, which I am quite sure I did not express, it is due me that I state the results of my inspection of yesterday. I give it as my opinion, which I am sure would be shared by any visiting members of the Board of Health, that there are some bad places on the makai side of King street. But in the light of my recollection of things previous to the time of the great fire, I find that the general condition of Palama is not nearly as bad as I expected to see it.

The conditions mauka I found about all that could be reasonably expected in view of vacant premises and contiguous taro patches. When people are crowded in small spaces, disorderly conditions are sure to prevail which may not always have any bearing on sanitation. Much of the rubbish to be seen mauka of King street struck me as being just harmless rubbish which no one had time or the money to

With full appreciation of the difficulties that are met with in the Board of Health and not the slightest desire to throw your efforts into contempt, and with the honest desire to help rather than hinder, I am, THEODORE RICHARDS. Yours very truly,

Mr. Richards was not incorrectly quoted by the Advertiser, though by a printer's error in leaving out an introduction much of Mr. Horne's interview was incorporated with that of Mr. Cooke, However, Mr. Cooke, not having any plague-spot of his own to conceal, has made no complaint.

But Mr. Richards could not entirely gloss over the appearance of Palame much as he desired to. He found "come bad places on the makai side of King street." So did we. He adds that things are better than they were previous to the plague fire, which is not saying much. "Disorderly conditions are sure to prevail," he explains, "when people are crowded in small spaces;" but lest Mr. Pinkham should take offense and wreak it on the Vineyard ctreet camp, Richards hastens to add that this overcrowded population merely produced "harmless rubbish"-probably mattress-filling and bed springs. Not a word about the maledorous things over which he held his nose on Wednesday. estry

Really Mr. Pinkham ought to have merey on Theodore and call the filth on King street, about 12 colonies of he found on the Vineyard street property "harmless rubbish" also. Turnabout is fair play.

It is thought by many citizens that the unusually heavy and frequent explosions of dynamite on the waterfront, are proving dangerous to the foundations and structures of buildings on underlying coral stratum. Almost daily these buildings are badly shaken and the effect is that of sharp earthquakes of short duration. In other cities, serious consequences have resulted from repeated shocks of this character, as for example, in the neighborhood of Telegraph Hill in San Francisco.

From the decisive way with which Pinkham went to look at the Richards camp yesterday it appears that he had a clear idea of what he would find there. Pleasant, isn't it, to have a health guardian who never gets after a pest hole conviction, che fa and the other gambles will never come to grief in this town. until he achieves a grudge against the owner and plumply denies the existence of other places of the kind when it is affirmed by a paper he doesn't like,

> The Fishmarket forger sells two tons at a time of its affidavit circulation to a Chinaman. It is understood that the Chinaman makes a good thing out of it by selling to the yeal counter.

Mr. Johnson was officially smirched and then officially whitewashed just o show that there was no malice,

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Mr. Wren W. Wescoatt and Miss R. Banning. Rachel K. Hayselden were married at Labaina on Tuesday.

Joseph Stockton has been engaged by the Honolulu Symphony Club as its orchestra leader for another six

Larry Dee has asked the authorities to furnish the saloons with photographs of inebriates proscribed according to law from being served with

Fred. Wundenberg has filed his bond and real estate dropped. in \$1500 as commissioner to sell the Walkiki Seaside Hotel Co.'s property under foreclosure, his surety being B.

E. C. Peters, attorney for the steam er Stanley/Dollar, yesterday took the first step in appealing from Judge Dole's decisions against that vessel to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco.

Mr. Hesse of Samoa and Lieut, Uhl of the Austrian army, who have been guests at the Hawaiian Hotel for the past two weeks, will leave shortly for the Coast. Lieut. Uhl goes to Vienna to report for duty.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

(From Wednesday's Advertiser.) Dr. and Mrs. Doremus Scudder go to the Coast next week by the Son-Senator McCandless called on Gover-

or Carter yesterday in regard to the

United States Marshal E. R. Hendry confined to his rooms at the Young Hotel by illness.

David Rollo, who was recently arrest ed on a charge of gross cheat, was arrested again yesterday on a charge of larceny. Superintendent of Public Works C.

S. Holloway is considering the use of crude oil on the streets. It will likely not be used on macadamized streets. Minnie Jeffs has libeled Harold Jeffs for divorce on the ground of extreme cruelty. They were married June 5th,

1900, and separated September 2, 1905. There are a dozen houses now under construction on the newly-leased lands in Palolo Valley and the work of clearing and construction is going on at a

Supervisor Lucas is preparing an ordinance regulating the speed of au-tomobiles. It is proposed to make all motor carriages carry numbers identification, Mr. W. A. Castle is expected to at-

tend the conference of the National Civic Federation on the immigration question The conference will be held in New York in December. Dr. H. H. James of W. P. Fuller &

Co. left for Hilo yesterday on the Kinau. He will return to meet Mrs. James, who will arrive from the main-land on the Sierra September 27,

Miss Helen Eames, Alfred W. Eames and Francis A. Eames of Wahiawa are at the Young. The children will leave today for the Coast on the Alameda to attend school in Los Angeles. The grand tury was excused vester-

day by Judge Robinson until October 2nd pending the decision as to the lapse of the term. The criminal cases on the calendar were continued to the same date.

Alexander Young, proprietor of the Alexander Young Hotel, accompanied by Mrs. Young and daughter, leaves in the Alameda today for California. They will occupy their Oakland home for a while.

Auditor Fisher stated yesterday that he did not see the force of the argu-ments made against taxing the big plantations at Honolulu as their ownership is here and their head offices, while only one-half the tax goes to

A decree of foreclosure was signed yesterday in the suit of George W. and Fred Wundenberg was named as commissioner by Judge Robinson to sell the property.

A. N. Campbell, Frank Hustace and

F. J. Lowrey yesterday made their answer as respondents in the suit of Charles R. Hemenway, trustee of the Honolulu Clay Co., a bankrupt, against the Honolulu Clay Co. and others. The respondents deny knowledge of any ir-

regularities.
It is understood that a strong effort was made yesterday afternoon by the Board of Health to contradict the testimony of Rev. Mr. Rath and the Advertiser about the insanitary state of things in Palama. Reporters of the af-ternoon press were taken to various places and shown things in the way Pinkham exhibited the small farm to the labor committee, except that in this case the investigators saw the best o it. Ample time was given during the morning and early part of the after noon to do some cleaning up.

(From Thursday's Advertiser.) Judge Dole has adjourned the Fed eral court until October 2, there bein no business on the recess The house of Mr. Alfred Emma street was entered some tin

Monday night and \$10 police have no clue to the thief. Governor Carter is putting in hard work on his annual report to the Sec- Avgs 29.96 88 72 77 09 72 5 NB retary of the Interior, to reduce as much as possible the delay caused by

his recent absence.

As the result of a conference held resterday between Governor Carter, County Attorney Douthitt, Treasurer Campbell and Deputy Attorney Gen-eral Peters, there is good hope that the question of road board funds will

The Board of Agriculture and For has, at the Government Nursery inoculated Japanese beetles for dis-tribution and will be glad to give them to the first comers that bring a lot of living Japanese beetles. Distribution

begins at 9 a. m. today.

W. A. Whiting appeared as counse for Treasurer Trent in the injunction suit brought against him by E. B. Mc Clanahan to prevent the payment of the warrant to Andrew Adams. Robinson continued the hearing to Saturday to file an answer. S. H. Derby appeared for complainant.

A decision has been rendered by the

Tax Appeal Court in the case of the Oahu Railway & Land Co., sustaining Tax Assessor Holt in assessing for \$300,000 property that the company claimed was not assessable to it. An-other decision sustains the Pacific Hardware & Steel Co. in its return of \$262.50, which the assessor

Answers of H. L. Kerr and others respondents in the Honolulu Clay Co case, are to the effect that the valuaincorporation at \$75,000 was not in-flated. Real estate was higher then and the company had good prospects of success, but later building operations declined, the demand for bricks ceased

Important changes have taken place in the firm of Emmeluth & Co., plumbers and general hardware people, in the past few days. John Emmeluth, who established the business, has been retired as a director and manager, and Mr. Rankin has been established in his place as manager. Mr. Garvie, one has been elected as president, and D W. Anderson, also of Bishop & Co., is

now treasurer. Mr. Garvie stated vesterday that the firm was in good condition, but that owing to changes in the methods of business being decided upon, the per-sonnel was made over as above.

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> SESSION BALES. (Morning Session.)

BESSION SALES. (Afternoon Session.) None

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ALEX. McC. ASHLEY,

Section Director.

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Last quarter of the moon Sept. 21. Times of the tide are taken from the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey tables.

The tides at Kahului and Hilo occur

about one hour earlier than at Hono-

Hawalian standard time is 10 hours 30 minutes slower than Greenwich time, being that of the meridian of 157 degrees thirty minutes. The time whis-tie blows at 1:30 p. m., which is the same as Greenwich, 6 hours 6 minutes. Sun and moon are for local time for the whole group.